

Listing of the Claims:

1-18. (Canceled).

19. (Currently amended) A method of operating a home gateway system for home automation and security, comprising:

~~dialing a telephone number of the home gateway system by a user;~~

receiving a request for access to home automation and security features by a user;

establishing a wireless local loop connection with the home gateway system;

selecting home automation and security features from a plurality of options;

performing a speaker verification of the user;

when the user is verified, allowing the user access to the home automation and security features;

receiving a voiced instruction to setup a home security controller in a warning mode;

monitoring a forceful entry signal;

when the forceful entry signal exceeds a defined range, sending a message containing a police telephone number to a processor;

establishing a communication link to the police telephone number over a wireless local loop; and

transmitting the message to the police telephone number.

20. (New) A method as defined in claim 19, wherein establishing the wireless local loop connection with the home gateway system comprises connecting a wireless local loop transceiver to a base station coupled to a public switched telephone network.

21. (New) A method as defined in claim 19, further comprising requesting the user to enter a personal identification number where the speaker verification fails.

22. (New) A method as defined in claim 19, further comprising requesting the user to speak an access code and performing a speech recognition on the access code.

23. (New) A method as defined in claim 22, wherein the speaker verification of the user is performed when the access code is recognized and belongs to a set of approved access codes.

24. (New) A method as defined in claim 19, wherein the user requests access to the home automation and security features by dialing a telephone number of the home gateway system.

25. (New) A method as defined in claim 19, wherein the forceful entry signal indicates an unwanted intrusion.

26. (New) A method as defined in claim 19, wherein the telephone number is a police telephone number.

27. (New) A method as defined in claim 19, further comprising performing a speech recognition of the voiced instruction, converting the voiced instruction into an electronic instruction, and sending the electronic instruction to a home automation and security controller.

28. (New) A method as defined in claim 19, wherein transmitting the message comprises speech synthesizing a portion of the message to form an audio message and transmitting the audio message to an electronic address.